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ROCKPORT MAN SENTENCED FOR RECEIPT AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

PRESS RELEASE

Evansville, Ind. - Charles D. Citta, 61, Rockport, Indiana, was sentenced to 60 months in prison last Friday by U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young following his guilty plea to one count of receipt and two counts of possession of child pornography announced Timothy M. Morrison, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana. This case was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Between January 29, 2008 and June 25, 2008, Citta possessed ten images and one video depicting sexually explicit conduct on his home computer and a data storage disk. According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Todd S. Shellenbarger, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young also imposed supervised release for life following Citta's release from prison. During the period of supervised release, Citta must register as a sex offender, participate in a sex offender treatment program, and must submit to monitoring of his computer use.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

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